

2024 FEDERAL AGENDA

The Tennessee Valley Corridor's Board of Directors, in consultation with members of the TVC Leadership Council and other partners, annually prepares a TVC Federal Agenda with recommendations to promote the TVC's national leadership in science and technology through regional cooperation. Our mission is to sustain the Tennessee Valley Corridor's existing federal missions, compete for and attract new federal and state investments, and leverage those investments for more private sector job creation.

Support **NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC)** (MSFC) leadership in complex system design, development and integration, science payload operations, technology development, and scientific research. Continued support for NASA's Space Launch System (SLS) and Human Landing System (HLS) Programs, and the advancement of MSFC leadership in critical habitation systems, including environmental control and life support systems, logistics and space nuclear propulsion to execute NASA's Moon 2 Mars Mission.

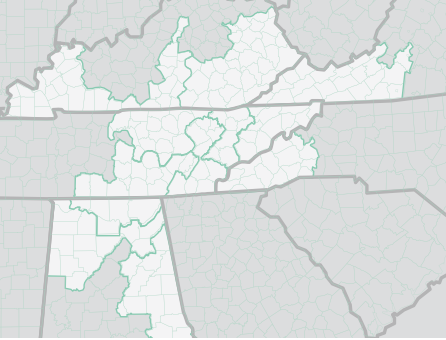
Support the missions at **Y-12 National Security Complex** to sustain the nation's nuclear deterrent and support global nuclear security, including continuing funding for the Uranium Processing Facility (UPF), Lithium Processing Facility (LPF), weapons dismantlement and nonproliferation down blending programs, as well as infrastructure upgrades and expert workforce development.

Support the **Department of Energy's** investment in the **Oak Ridge National Laboratory** to advance science, technology and powerful research infrastructure for clean energy, national security, and industry, and to promote regional innovation through the Laboratory's **Innovation Crossroads** entrepreneurship program and the **University of Tennessee-Oak Ridge Innovation Institute**.

Support the vital **Environmental Management** and cleanup work on the Oak Ridge Reservation, Redstone Arsenal, and across the TVC region to remove risks and hazards, enhance safety, open land for redevelopment, and modernize our federal campuses to advance important federal missions.

Support the **Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA)** efforts to build 3,800MW of new generation to power job creation, businesses, and homes across the Tennessee Valley. Continue to support investments in innovative technologies such as advanced nuclear technology deployment, including workforce training and supply chain development in the Valley to support the initial Small Modular Reactor at TVA's Clinch River Nuclear Site. In addition, support the prompt nomination and confirmation of TVA Board nominees to ensure continuity of governance at TVA.





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Support the Department of Defense and other federal personnel and assets at **Redstone Arsenal, Fort Campbell, Anniston Depot, and Arnold Air Force Base**, which support our national security interests at home and abroad especially in space, air, and missile defense.

Support for our congressional delegation in relocating the **U.S. Space Command** headquarters and the critical missions needed to support the command to the Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville.

Support for hypersonic testing infrastructure modernization at **Arnold Engineering Development Complex (AEDC)** for its unmatched flight and propulsion testing of our nation's aircraft, spacecraft, weapons systems, and satellite assets.

Support the efforts of the **TVC's Research Universities, ORAU, our Community Colleges** and other federal, state, and local partners as they develop partnerships that leverage research capabilities and create science, technology, and internship and apprenticeship programs to meet the workforce needs of the region's employers.

Support the continued partnerships between **The Center for Rural Development, Appalachian Regional Commission**, and many other Corridor partners in advancing broadband, economic development, workforce development, and critical infrastructure programs across our rural communities.

Support continued federal investments and incentives in advanced **clean energy and transportation** technologies, including nuclear, electric vehicles, smart grid, and batteries.

Support for increased congressional engagement on **federal small business contracting** issues to address existing staffing challenges, security clearance timelines, and more flexible contracting/procurement procedures.

Support for greater alignment and collaboration between federal, state, and local efforts in developing a **high-quality workforce** with the amenities and essential services needed to grow, attract and retain skilled talent in our region.

